

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY DOHA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1445

INFO AMEMBASSY ABU DHABI

AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS

AMEMBASSY KUWAIT

AMEMBASSY JIDDA

AMEMBASSY LONDON

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AMEMBASSY MUSCAT

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AMEMBASSY TEHRAN

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KUWAIT PASS BAGHDAD

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR, QA, IZ

SUBJ: POSTPONEMENT OF SADDAM HUSSEIN'S VISIT TO QATAR

REF: DOHA 0418

1. DURING APRIL 18 CONVERSATION WITH SHAYKH HAMAD BIN KHALIFA AL THANI, COMMANDER IN CHIEF OF QATARI ARMED FORCES AND AMIR'S SON, AMBASSADOR ASKED ABOUT POSTPONEMENT OF SADDAM HUSSEIN'S VISIT.

2. SHAYKH HAMAD ASSERTED RUMORS THAT SADDAM'S GULF TRIP WAS POSTPONED BECAUSE OF UNCOVERING OF SYRIAN PLOT TO ASSASSINATE HIM DURING HIS TRAVELS WERE COMPLETELY UNTRUE. ACCORDING SHAYKH

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HAMAD, TRIP PUT OFF SINCE A VISIT TO KUWAIT WAS NOT RPT NOT

ON SCHEDULE AND SADDAM HAD DECIDED IT WOULD BE UNADVISABLE TO  
VISIT QATAR, BAHRAIN AND UAE WHILE LEAVING OUT KUWAIT. HAMAD  
INDICATED THAT SADDAM'S MESSAGE TO AMIR ON SUBJECT (REFTEL)  
HAD PROVIDED THIS REASON FOR POSTPONEMENT.  
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